

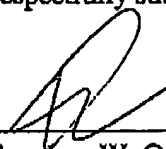
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REMARKS

Applicant has amended this application in response to the office action. The claims are rejected over the Runge patent. Runge does not disclose an open slot as is required by claim 8, and does not disclose the shape of the slot as required by claims 9 and 10. Runge does not disclose a tool for use in combination with a vice shaft as required by claims 11-14, and further does not include the method steps required by claim 15. For the reasons set forth above, all claims are allowable. An indication of such is requested.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482 in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

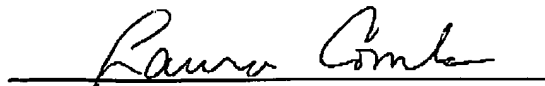


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